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TO AMEMBASSY ANKARA
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AMEMBASSY NICOSIA
INFO AMEMBASSY ROME
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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: OREP, PORG

SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF CONGRESSMAN STEPHEN SOLARZ

1. CONGRESSMAN STEPHEN SOLARZ (D-N.Y.) HAS ADDED STOPS
IN GREECE, CYPRUS AND TURKEY TO HIS AFRICAN ITINERARY
(SEPTEL). TENTATIVE SCHEDULE DEVELOPED BY CONGRESSMAN'S
OFFICE READS AS FOLLOWS:

ARRIVE ATHENS 4/2 3:50 PM VIA SA 262 FROM JOHANNESBURG;
LEAVE ATHENS 4/3 8:15 AM OLYMPIC AIRWAYS 331, ARRIVE
CYPRUS (LARNACA) 9:50 AM; LEAVE CYPRUS (ERCAN) 4/3 11:00 PM
CYPRUS/TURKISH AIRLINES 15, ARRIVE ANKARA 11:54 PM;
LEAVE ANKARA 8:15 AM TURKISH AIRLINES 861, ARRIVE ROME
11:35 AM; LEAVE ROME 4/5 1:30 PM PANAM 111, ARRIVE NEW YORK
4:50 PM.

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2. ADDRESSEES SHOULD REPORT ANY PROBLEMS THEY SEE WITH
SCHEDULE IN ITS PRESENT FORM AND SUGGEST WHERE POSSIBLE
ALTERNATE FLIGHTS WHICH WILL PERMIT CONGRESSMAN TO HOLD TO
CURRENT PROGRAM.

3. FOR ATHENS: CONGRESSMAN SOLARZ RECOGNIZES THAT HIS

LATE SUNDAY ARRIVAL APRIL 2 MAKES SCHEDULING SUBSTANTIVE MEETINGS VERY DIFFICULT. IF AT ALL POSSIBLE, NONETHELESS,

HE WOULD WELCOME OPPORTUNITY FOR BRIEF MEETING WITH PRIME MINISTER CARAMANLIS AND/OR FOREIGN MINISTER PAPALIGOURAS. HE WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE EMBASSY BRIEFING ON CURRENT SITUATION IN GREECE AS WELL AS CHANCE TO HAVE INFORMAL SUPPER WITH NOTABLE GREEKS SUCH AS VIRGINIA TSOUDEROU, WHO SOLARZ KNOWS, AND MARIO MODIANO, WHO SOLARZ HAS NOT MET BUT HAS GOTTEN FAVORABLE REPORTS ABOUT. IF EMBASSY BELIEVES HALF DAY SUNDAY VISIT TOTALLY INAPPROPRIATE, PLEASE ADVISE.

4. FOR NICOSIA: SOLARZ WOULD WELCOME EMBASSY BRIEFING ON WAY FROM LARNACA TO NICOSIA, AND APPOINTMENTS DURING LATE MORNING AND EARLY AFTERNOON WITH PRESIDENT KYPRIANOU, FOREIGN MINISTER ROLANDIS, OPPOSITION LEADER CLERIDES AND TOP UN OFFICIALS. HE WOULD LIKE MEETINGS IN TURKISH-CYPRIOT SECTOR LATE AFTERNOON APRIL 3 INCLUDING VISIT TO FAMAGUSTA AND IF POSSIBLE DINNER WITH DENKTASH PRIOR TO DEPARTURE. SOLARZ HAS BEEN MADE AWARE OF PROBLEMS IN CONNECTION WITH ERCAN DEPARTURE, BUT BELIEVES THIS IS ESSENTIAL IF HE IS TO MAINTAIN SCHEDULE. HE WOULD HOPE THAT USE OF ERCAN WOULD NOT BE PUBLICIZED. HE ALSO UNDERSTANDS THAT USG OFFICIALS DO NOT USE ERCAN BUT AS MEMBER OF CONGRESS ON VERY TIGHT SCHEDULE HE DOES NOT FEEL LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THERE IS ANY OTHER VIABLE OPTION TO USE OF ERCAN.

5. FOR ANKARA: SOLARZ HAS BEEN IN CONSTANT TOUCH WITH AMBASSADOR ESENBEL AND HAS REQUESTED ESENBEL'S ASSISTANCE IN ARRANGING APPOINTMENTS FOR MEETINGS WITH ECEVIT, FOREIGN MINISTER OKCUN, CHIEF OF STAFF EVREN AS WELL AS DEMIREL, ERBAKAN AND TURKES. HE WOULD APPRECIATE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH AMBASSADOR FOR BREAKFAST AND BRIEFING APRIL 4 PRIOR TO SUBSTANTIVE APPOINTMENTS WITH TURKS. VANCE

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